

**Frederick County
Workforce Development Board
&
Youth Council:**

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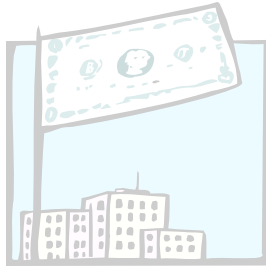
S.T.E.M.
(Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics)

Educational Scholarship Program

TOTAL PROGRAM: \$7,500.00

Total per student not to exceed \$2,500.00 (At least three (3) awards to be given)

**Applications incomplete or received after April 6, 2007
will not be accepted.**



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S.T.E.M. Educational Scholarship

Who may apply:

Any prospective student resident within the jurisdiction of Frederick County, who plans to pursue an eligible course(s) or degree, above and supplemental to high school or preparatory school level in ***Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics (STEM)*** may file an application. All applications must be citizens of the United States of America on the date the application is filed. This application must be filed with the Frederick County Workforce Services Youth Manager, Helen Riddle, 5340-A Spectrum Drive, Frederick, Maryland 21703 on or before April 6, 2007. Only one application may be filed; all applications become the property of the Workforce Development Board and the Frederick County Workforce Services.

All scholarships are in the form of Certificates of Award issued by the Community Foundation of Frederick County. Upon the enrollment of the student in a college, university or technical school, the office will write a check in the amount of the awarded scholarship to the appropriate college, university or technical school. Scholarship funds will be forwarded to the appropriate college, university or technical school. Payments may not be used to cover retroactive charges. This scholarship will not cover payments for any academic year begun prior to May 1, 2007.

The grant may be used for:

- ❑ Part-time or full-time prospective or current college students. This scholarship is for one year only and is not renewable. It is subject to review prior to the start of each academic semester. If conduct of the student is contrary to principles of law, order and ethics the scholarship is subject to withdrawal.
- ❑ Tuition, fees, books and supplies; it may be used only for usual and required costs of applicant's planned course of study. It may not be used for general living expenses, such as apartment rent, mortgage payments, automobile expenses for use or maintenance of a car. It may not be used for childcare costs.

Applications are evaluated based on the information herein. Therefore, if, after being notified of a grant, course of study and/or school attending changes, the grant may be withdrawn.

1. Incomplete applications will not be considered. It is imperative that all information be set forth, especially information as to your costs to attend your chosen course, so that we may evaluate your needs.
2. After completing this application, make a photocopy for your records.
3. All applications will be notified by May 1, 2007 as to whether or not they are to receive one of our scholarship grants.

Eligibility criteria:

- a. Frederick County resident
- b. Between the ages of 17-21
- c. Pursuing a course(s) or degree in a S.T.E.M. career field
- d. Shows a barrier to education. Barrier could be overcoming an obstacle in life or living with a disability for example.
- e. Demonstrates good citizenship by:
 - i. Community involvement/volunteer work
 - ii. Relationship with peers
 - iii. Shows initiative
- f. Explains why you are most likely to benefit if given these funds..

Order of submitted packet:

- a. Application – completed
- b. A copy of your birth certificate or driver's license as proof of age.
- c. A statement by the applicant of no more than 300 words, summarizing his or her:
 - a. Activities & accomplishments
 - b. Barrier to education
 - c. Good citizenship
 - d. Objectives and financial need
 - e. Description of request & exact request of funds (not to exceed \$2,500.00)
 - f. Explanation of why you are most likely to benefit if given these funds
 - g. Outline of career goals and courses planned
- d. A letter of no more than 150 words from a parent or other person having knowledge of the facts, presenting a picture of the family situation and showing the applicant's family background, (such as number of children in family, number of children still at home, and any information to establish factors judged under Judging Standards).
- e. A brief letter of endorsement from a responsible person, not related to the applicant, who has had an opportunity personally to observe the applicant and who can give a worthwhile opinion of the character and general worthiness of the applicant.
- f. Grade record or work record for this current year and the previous year.
- g. If work record is sent instead of grade record or if not attending a Frederick County Public School, proof of residency is required (drivers license, a copy of mail you received at your current residence or photo ID with current address).
- h. Any other information, which you feel, will be helpful in judging your worthiness for a scholarship grant.

Judging will be based on the following:

MOTIVATION – General desire

NEED – Financial need, resourcefulness

SKILLS – Showing of good aptitude toward chosen S.T.E.M. vocation

RECORD – School or work performance and attendance

APPLICATION – Completeness, neatness and the following of directions

